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SUBJ: CHILEAN PAROLE PROGRAM

1. SUMMARY: THE LOCAL ICEM REPRESENTATIVE IS CONCERNED THAT ONLY A SMALL PROPORTION OF THE THE 200 NEW PAROLE CASES TO BE SHARED BETWEEN SANTIAGO AND BUENOS AIRES APPARENTLY WILL FALL TO SANTIAGO. HE ESTIMATES THAT THERE ARE SOME 950 CHILEANS AMONG EX-DETAINEES AND THOSE CONVICTED OF POLITICAL/ SECURITY OFFENSES WHO WANT TO LEAVE CHILE, AND IS CONCERNED THAT THEY WILL HAVE NO PLACE TO GO, SINCE MOST RECEIVING COUNTRIES ARE PHASING OUT THEIR CHILEAN PROGRAMS. THE ESTIMATE MAY BE HIGH, BUT A SERIOUS PROBLEM DOES EXIST. END SUMMARY.

2. ICEM'S ESTIMATED ACTUAL OR POTENTIAL 950 APPLICANTS ARE COMPOSED OF ABOUT 200 EX-DETAINEES AND 750 PRISONERS ALREADY CONVICTED OR SUBJECT TO TRIAL. OF THE LATTER FIGURE, 267 HAVE ALREADY OBTAINED OR ARE IN THE PROCESS OF OBTAINING COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE AND EXILE DECREES; 53 WERE REFUSED EXILE DECREES BY THE COMMUTATION BOARD BUT THEIR APPLICATIONS ARE BEING REVIEWED; 150 HAVE NOT YET HAD THEIR APPLICATIONS CONSIDERED, AND 280 ARE STILL UNDER TRIAL PROCESS.

3. ICEM REPORTS THAT SINCE THE ENACTMENT OF SUPREME DECREE 504 ON MAY 9, 1975, THE SPECIAL COMMUTATION BOARD HAS PROCESSED 1,170 CASES, ONE PERSON DIED, 11 DECIDED AGAINST EXILE; 115 WERE
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REJECTED; 869 HAVE BEEN ISSUED EXILE DECREES (27 LACK

VISAS); AND 274 ARE AWAITING FINAL APPROVAL OF DECREES--
240 OF THESE HAVE NO VISAS. (SEE SANTIAGO 11506 FOR
GOC FIGURES, WHICH ARE ROUGHLY COMPARABLE ALTHOUGH
TALLIED IN DIFFERENT SUB-CATEGORIES).

4. OTHER COUNTRIES ARE STILL ACCEPTING CHILEANS FOR
RESETTLEMENT, BUT ON A MUCH REDUCED SCALE. FROM A ROUGH
OVERVIEW OF THE PROGRAMS OF OTHER ACCEPTING COUNTRIES,
WE BELIEVE THAT THEY WILL ACCEPT AT LEAST 300 AND
POSSIBLY 400 TO 500 OF THE 950 POTENTIAL EXILEES.
CANADA IS NOW PROCESSING VISAS FOR AN ADDITIONAL 100
APPLICANTS. FRANCE IS ACCEPTING ABOUT 15 EMERGENCY
CASES PER MONTH. ABOUT 150 ARE LEFT TO PROCESS FROM FRG'S
ORIGINAL QUOTA OF 400. BELGIUM ACCEPTS A FEW SELECT
CASES. THE NETHERLANDS WILL INCREASE ITS QUOTA BY 30.
SWEDEN HAS NO DEFINITE QUOTA FOR CHILE BUT IS STILL
ACCEPTING A FEW SPECIAL CASES. THE TIGHTNESS OF THE
SITUATION IS INDICATED BY A REPORT WE HAVE RECEIVED THAT
THE APPROXIMATELY 300 DETAINEES RELEASED LAST MONTH HAVE
AGREED AMONG THEMSELVES TO SET UP PRIORITIES FOR THE
USE OF WHAT SPACES ARE AVAILABLE ABROAD. THUS, THOSE
MOST IN NEED OF LEAVING CHILE WILL TAKE PRECEDENCE
OVER THE OTHERS.

5. COMMENT: THE SITUATION OF THESE CHILEANS IN CHILE
IS NOW LESS DRAMATIC THAN THAT OF CHILEAN, URUGUAYAN AND
BOLIVIAN REFUGEES IN ARGENTINA, BUT IT REMAINS DIFFICULT.
AT THE SAME TIME, THE BACKLOG IS PROBABLY SMALLER THAN ICEM
STATES IT IS, SINCE MANY OF THE RELEASED DETAINEES WILL PREFER TO
STAY IN CHILE, AND MANY OF THOSE CONVICTED PROBABLY WILL BE
ABLE TO LEAVE PRISON AND REMAIN IN CHILE. IF THE ARGENTINE
PAROLE PROGRAM IS NOT AS PRODUCTIVE AS EXPECTED, HOWEVER,
THERE WILL STILL BE MANY DESERVING CHILEANS AVAILABLE HERE TO
FILL THE NEW U.S. QUOTA.
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